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NEW GOODS!

Owing to the LARGE TRADE which we have established by giving to our customers at

BED ROCK PRICES!

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PERFECT FITTING GARMENT

To be had in the city.

We have just received a CHOICE SELECTION of SPRING SUITINGS, EXCLUSIVELY

FOREIGN GOODS!

Which are now ready for inspection.

J. FOLEY.

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REAL ESTATE AGENTS,

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Have Houses and lots in all parts of the city for sale on reasonable terms. If you wish to buy or sell, it will be to your interest to call and see them. They have also some splendid bargains in farms.

160 ACRES IN FRIENDS CREEK,

Well improved, good location, one of the very best farms in the country, considering location and quality of soil, will be sold cheap. A 475 acre farm near Sullivan, well improved, one of the best stock farms in the county, at $25 50 per acre. 640 acres 3½ miles from Monticello, at $28 per acre.

☞ If you want a farm of any size be sure to see

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For Sale.

FOR SALE!

A four year old Clydesdale Stallion—a beautiful bay with black legs, sixteen and a half hands high, weight in proportion. Also, will sell or trade a fine

Mammoth "JACK,"

warranted all right

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THE MARKETS.

The following are the closing quotations of Chicago prices, as reported at the Priest House.

	March.	April.	May
Wheat	99	[illegible]	[illegible]
Corn	38¾	39[illegible]	[illegible]
Oats	30¼	[illegible]	[illegible]
Lard	10 15	[illegible]	10[illegible]
Pork	15 50	15 67	1[illegible]
Rye			
Barley			

Decatur Markets.

The following are the current prices in this market paid by dealers except flour which is the price at mills:

FLOUR AT MILL.

White Wheat	$ 90
X X X ₩ cwt	3 05
White Leaf	3 70
Corn Meal, per bush	65

GRAIN.

Wheat, White	95
Corn, per bush	33
Oats, "	30

THE GROCER.

Sweet Potatoes, per peck	30
White Beans (navy)	2.00
Eggs ₩ doz	25
Butter—Choice Dairy, ₩ [illegible]	15@16

[illegible]

Cattle—Common, per cwt	3 00@4 00
Hogs—Live, ₩ cwt	4 00@4 40
Calves—Live, per cwt	4 20@[illegible]
Sheep—Live, per cwt	[illegible]00
Lard per lb	[illegible]10
Hams	13

HIDES.

Dry F[illegible]	[illegible]
Green [illegible]	[illegible]
Green Calf	10

Damaged, scored or grubby, two-thirds price.
Branded, 10 per ct. off.

POULTRY.

Chickens, live, per doz	1 75@2 00
" dressed	[illegible]
Turkies per lb	[illegible]
" [illegible]	06

FRUIT AND VEGETABLE MARKET.

Apples ₩ bush	[illegible]75
Potatoes	[illegible]

GRASS SEEDS.

Timothy per bu	1 75
Clover "	4 25

Retail prices charged by dealers and on the streets.

HAY.

Timothy, ₩ ton	[illegible]
Prairie	[illegible]
Slough	4.[illegible]

[illegible]

Hickory, [illegible]	[illegible]
Oak,	4.00@4 50
Coal, soft	4 [illegible]
Coal, hard	[illegible]

Amusements.

OPERA HOUSE.

ONE NIGHT ONLY

Wednesday, Feb. 16th.

MINSTRELSY AS IT SHOULD BE—QUALITY, NOT QUANTITY.

GULICK & BLAISDELL'S

MINSTRELS!

The Monarchs of Ethiopian Comedy,

SCHOOLCRAFT & CO.

The Prime Ministers of Momus.

ADAMS and LEROY,

21 MINSTREL CELEBRITIES. 21

4 GREAT END MEN. 4

Our Challenge Silver Statue Clog Team.
Our Unrivalled Song and Dance Artists.
The justly Celebrated St. George Vocal Quartette.
Prof. Morbach's Superb Orchestra and Silver Cornet Band.
Admission, 75, 50 and 35 cts. Reserved seats at Curtis & Co's, without extra charge.

Dissolution Notice.

DISSOLUTION NOTICE.

THE firm of Capron & Johns is this day dissolved by mutual consent. L. A. Johns retiring from the firm. Capron, the Cobbler, will continue the business as usual, at the old stand.

CAPRON, THE COBBLER,
J. A. JOHNS.

DECATUR, ILL., FEB. 9, 1881.

Change of Time.

Through a mistake the following time table was not corrected in the inside of our paper, and in order to make the changed time known as soon as possible, we produce the corrected table on this side of the paper.

ILLINOIS MIDLAND RAILWAY

On and after Monday, Feb. 14th trains will arrive and leave as follows:

GOING SOUTHEAST.

Mail and Express	11:[illegible] p m
Way Freight	[illegible]
Through [illegible]	[illegible]

GOING NORTHWEST.

Mail and Express	[illegible] p m
Way Freight	[illegible] a m
Through [illegible]	9:15 p m

N. E. ADAMS, Agent.

DECATUR REVIEW.

W. S. JACK.

THE Hayes administration is drawing to a close and all of the Ohio men are not provided for.

HARRY HUNTER, the "Lone Fisherman" in "Evangeline," died at Cincinnati yesterday.

[illegible] is said that Hon. C. B. Lawrence [illegible] Chicago, would be willing to sit on a wool-sack of the U. S. supreme court.

REPRESENTATIVE TUCKER, of Virginia, has been elected to succeed Hon. Fernando Wood, as chairman of the Ways and Means committee.

ALL of the prominent republicans of the country are making pilgrimages to Mentor. It is the Mecca of the office seeker and his friends.

THE present congress is fighting shy of all subsidy schemes. The grabbers have not had a good take since the ascendancy of the democracy in congress.

THE senatorial fight in Pennsylvania is no nearer at an end, apparently, than when it began. Old Simon Cameron in his younger days would have brought the bolters to time. The ringsters appear to have lost their grip.

COMPLETE reports from the winter wheat sections of the country indicate that there will be a good crop the ensuing season. There are many things yet to prevent before it is harvested, but at present every thing is favorable.

IT seems so strange that Gen. Grant is not set up as a sad example of the use of ardent spirits, and at the same time as a model for now inverting the wine cup at the banquets. Can it be that good people do not like to admit that he was once addicted to the cup?

IN the death of Fernando Wood the democrats in congress have lost an able member. His ability and experience brought him forward as a leader, though in past years his leanings were in the direction of jobbery, and many things that were objectionable. Latterly his hands have been clean. He was born in Philadelphia, of Quaker parents. He has been mayor of New York, and has served several years in congress. He was a member elect of the next congress.

A FEW days ago we called attention to the fact that U. S. Senator Hoar, had feared about the propriety of allowing state militia to congregate about Washington on inauguration occasions. He is willing to have the regular army there, as it was concentrated in 1877 to inforce, if need be, the arbitrary powers of the vice president, or any other power necessary to seat a president who was not elected, but he sees further danger in having the state militia go to show their shining garments and have a good time. Senator Hoar's motion is seconded by the Bloomington *Leader*, whose editor was in the war, of course, and has learned to distrust anything and everything pertaining to individual states. It suggests that a similar crisis to that of 1877 may occur soon again. Probably it may. The democrats will, without doubt, elect the president in 1884, and if the events of 1876 are to be taken as a guide for future action, the crisis may be upon us four years hence. The *Leader* says: "Though it may at first glance seem like an unnecessary bugaboo, there is food for reflection in Senator Hoar's resolution to inquire into the expediency of having armed bodies of troops, other than federal, congregating at the national capital at the time of the inauguration. It is a precedent, which, had it been established prior to the last inauguration, might have proved a fatal obstacle to its peaceful termination. We know not how soon again we may be involved in a similar crisis, though it is to be feared that whatever the precedents, we should be ill prepared to stand another such strain.

We wish to inform our customers and the public in general that we keep a full line of notions and ladies furnishing goods. A great many of our customers having been misled by parties telling them that we keep millinery goods only, we therefore wish to inform you of the above facts. Please call and see our goods in this line as we will offer you special bargains. BEAR & EINSTEIN.

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S. W. Frisbie, of East Toledo, Ohio, says: It afforded my son relief, and dispelled all signs of this dreadful disease, which has afflicted him since childhood. I [illegible] recommend the "Only Lung Pad" to all Asthmatic sufferers.—*See Adv.*

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

THE BENCH.

The Senate Judiciary Committee fail to Agree on Matthews' Nomination.

Hon. Fernando Wood dies very Suddenly—Scene in the House at the News of His Death.

The Funding of the Land League's Money has Finally Been Arranged Satisfactorily.

The Joint Convention of the Pennsylvania Legislature cast the Twenty-eighth Ballot for U. S. Senator.

The Bench.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—The senate judiciary committee again came to no conclusion on either Matthews' or Billings' nomination to-day.

Billings' chances are very slim. His friends deny that the sub committee have agreed to report him adversely, but the members have expressed their opinions and they are two to one against him, and asked for a postponement for a few days. It is also looking more and more doubtful for Stanley Matthews, there being an evident disposition in some of the majority of the judiciary committee to not permit the senate to vote on the nomination. Matthews was in Washington yesterday and it is reported that he asked the president to withdraw his name. There is an idea abroad that it is very possible that Mr. Hayes may do this and that if he does he will nominate Atty-Gen. Devens as successor of Judge Swayne.

There is one very strong reason, however, for his not doing that. Senator Hoar, who represents Devens' own state, Massachusetts, insists that Devens cannot be confirmed should he be nominated. The reason given is that there is already a judge of the first circuit on the bench, and however feeble in intellect he may be, he is there for life and the senate will not confirm anybody else for the supreme bench from that part of the country until Justice Clifford shall die, or be legislated into retirement, it being impossible for him to resign owing to mental weakness. The real motive of Hoar is, however, to prevent the nomination of Devens to the bench so long as Hayes is president. When Garfield comes in it is thought there will be more chance for Chief-Justice Gray.

Government Telegraph.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—The house committee on post-offices have abandoned all idea of reporting the bill for a government telegraph postal system. They say it is utterly impossible to get such a measure through, and the whole subject is now dropped.

NO CHANCE FOR FREE TRADERS.

The death of Fernando Wood and the election of Tucker, chairman of the Ways and Means committe, makes no material difference in the status of the committee on the tariff question. The tariff reformers and the free traders are too much in a minority to attempt any legislation.

A SOLEMN SCENE.

An unusual scene was presented in the house this afternoon. Alex Stephens was rolling about in his Wheeler chair delivering a speech on the acceptance of the Collamer statue. The members all gathered around him with bended posture and solemn visage, as if the thought of death was on every mind. Entire silence prevailed, and now and then when Stephens would endeavor to lift up his voice, it had a shrieking sound as though of dying agony. The scene took on a remarkably solemn character.

Fernando Wood.

WASHINGNON, Feb. 15.—News of Fernando Wood's death was received yesterday at the capitol with a deep feeling of regret. The scene in both the house and senate upon the announcement of his death was unusually impressive. Mr. Wood had been in a feeble condition all winter, yet he was thoroughly aroused and active in the contest over the funding bill. On several occasions last month in the midst of excitement on the floor of the house he spoke with greater earnestness than he had been accustomed to speak for many years, though barely able to stand on his feet. He surprised the house by his vehement, clear, vigorous arguments in defence of the funding bill. During one of these five minute speeches he made a remark which was referred to yesterday at the capitol as evidently expressing a presentiment of his approaching death. Though reelected to the next congress he used the following words: "I for one, in the expiring hours of a public life of 40 years will never consent that this great country shall hawk its credit through the money markets of the world."

Ways and Means Committee.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—The house committee of ways and means elected Tucker, of Va, chairman, to succeed Fernando Wood, deceased.

The committee agreed to a favorable report upon the bill to admit free of duty any copies of the revised translation of the holy scriptures which may be transmitted from the university presses of England to the American committee of Bible revision, for their use.

The committee ordered a favorable report to be made to the house on Mr. McKinley's substitute for a bill in relation to the duties on manufactures of iron, which was adopted at their last meeting.

Mr. Phelps was instructed to make a favorable report to the house upon Mr. Covert's bill to amend the statutes relative to bonds to be given by cigar manufacturers.

The Land League Programme.

LONDON, Feb. 15.—The *Times* this morning says: At a meeting of the executive officers of the Land League in Paris, on Sunday last, Parnell stated that the funding of £70,000 of the League's money had finally been arranged. He said a manifesto would be issued explaining everything that had been done in regard to the funds to the branches of the League, which will be published soon after his return to Ireland. It was also intended, he said, that, immediately after the passage of the coercion bill, the Irish members of parliament should hold a conference in Dublin. They would then place themselves at the head of the people, thus meeting the blow the government is aiming at the organization.

The Pennsylvania Senatorship.

HARRISBURG, February 15.—The twenty-eighth ballot for United States Senator resulted as follows: Bayne, 30; Beaver, 31; Wallace, 31; Phillips, 1. The convention adjourned.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

Prayer meetings at all the churches this evening except at the Christian church where Elder Haynes the late pastor will preach.

A match looses its head, when it comes to the scratch, so do pimples when you take Spring Blossom d&w1w

Ashby and Andress are now fairly installed in their new quarters on Cerro Gordo street where they will engage in the manufacture and sale of all kinds of household furniture.

"Draw it mild" as the boy with the decayed tooth said to the Dentist. Toothache can be cured by using Dr Thomas' Electric Oil d&w1w

J. S. R. Scovill, Morris Ills., says: When your "Only Lung Pad" came to hand, my son could not raise his head. He is now up and gaining every day.—*See Adv.*

Their outfit of machinery is complete and they can compete with any establishment in the country both as to quality and price of work.

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Sore Throat, Diptheria, Quinsy, are different forms of congestion, the result of "catching cold". Trask's Magnetic Ointment was never known to fail in immediately relieving the congestion and curing these forms

Notice.

Peter Perl, the undertaker, has removed his residence from West Wood street to the building two doors south of May's grocery store on South Main street. Calls by night or day will receive prompt attention. Mr Perl has recently purchased this property and will improve it for his permanent home. tf

Mr Wm Pomeroy, Bangor, Me, writes I have for a long time suffered from continual constipation making my life a misery and causing headache, and frightful cramps, Mr Thompson (who has been lately visiting in Buffalo) induced me to try the Spring Blossom, it has perfectly cured me d&w1w

Palace Hotel.

At this new and popular house we are prepared to take a few day boarders, and families may make arrangements for boarding and rooms by the week or month. For further information call at the office of the hotel.

Feb. 9dtf N LAUX, Prop'r

Samuel A. Hewitt, Monterey, Mich., writes that Dr Thomas' Eclectric Oil cannot be beat by any medicine for coughs and colds, and for rheumatism, it works like a charm. It has been thoroughly tried in this place and is in great demand d&w1w

Benefit Ball.

The Eldorado Hose Co. will give a ball at their hose house on Thursday evening, February 24, for the Benefit of Brook Deardoff, who some time since was injured on the railroad. A generous support is asked.

Feb.15dtd.

Definitions.

"Brute"—a domestic endearment for a husband,
"Lover"—any young man but a brother in-law,
"Wrinkle"—The first thing one lady sees on another face;
"Spring Blossom"—Best cure in the world for dyspepsia, indigestion or stomach disorders d&w1w

Removal.

Miss Emma Williams wishes to inform her many friends and patrons that she has removed her stock of Hair Goods from Central Block to south side of Prairie street, third door from Water. Jan18d&w1m

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

John T. Campbell and Marvey Epling to John H. Miller and 3-7 of w ½ s e qr, sec 1, town 15, range 2 e, and lot 1 of n e qr, same sec and w ½, n e qr, s e qr, same sec.: W. D. $8000.

Wesley Daubenspeck and D. W. Brenneman to Albert J. Puhl, n ½, w ½, s w qr, n w qr, sec 24, town 16, range 2 e: W. D. $600.

Eli Brenneman to James J. Jones e ½, n e qr and n w qr, n e qr, sec 7 and com at s w cor, e ½, s w qr, sec 8 thence n 26:43 chains thence e 15:11 chains, thence s 26:43 chains, thence w to beginning: W. D. $6,200.

Weller R. Walter to Jacob J. Leach lot 17, block 4 of Walters' add to Maroa. W. D. $400.

Arthur E. Kinney to Michael Eichinger 82:72 acres in sec 24, town 16, range 2 e: W. D. $2,500.

N. G. Blalock to Mrs. A. H. Baker lots 5, 6, block 1 of N. G. Blalock's add to Mt. Zion. W. D. $60.

Gulick & Blaisdell.

The names which make the above head line are a host in themselves, and are a guarantee of a splendid entertainment. The Keokuk *Gate City* pays the troupe the following compliment:

The largest audience ever in attendance at a minstrel performance in this city was present at the opera house New Year's night on the occasion of the first appearance of Gulick & Blaisdell's "burnt cork" organization. This fact was due in a large measure to the popular prices of admission and to the reputation of several of the artists announced. Luke Schoolcraft is undoubtedly one of the funniest of funny men and in his delineation of negro characters shows an observation and study of the characteristics of the race that would bring him fame as a legitimate comedian if diverted to the proper channe's. Adams and Leroy sketch artists, are a strong team and "caught on" remarkably well. The company returns in March and will undoubtedly renew their success of Saturday night.

Snow on the Side Walks.

There seems to be a very decided unwillingness to tackle the snow drifts on the walks in front of peoples dwellings. All though Monday and yesterday the drifts were allowed to remain on quite a large portion of the walks in the city, in front of private residences on some of these walks snow is from a foot to two feet deep, and through these drifts a narrow foot path has been trodden which a person can travel only by taking special care and keeping very close watch. If there is an ordinance requiring walks to be cleared of snow within a given time, we should suggest to the proper officials the propriety of enforcing said ordinance. The fact of election being near at hand should not deter officials from enforcing city ordinances through fear of making themselves unpopular. Let us have the walks cleaned.

P. M. P. S.

Ho! for the city election!

An enthusiastic meeting of this society was held last night at ——, about thiry members being present. The object of this new society is for the purpose of organizing for the coming city election. The society was fairly organized last night and the object of the same made known to those present, and after several speeches were made, in a quiet but telling way, an adjournment was then in order, and the P. M P. S, adjourned to meet Friday night, 18th., at same place and same hour. Parties receiving tickets of admission from any of the members will be heartily welcomed. None others admitted.

Remember, boys, business ahead!

SECRETARY, P. M. P. S.

Sorely Afflicted.

Mr. David Churchman's family is greatly afflicted. Their daughter, Cora, aged nine years, is now in the fifth week of a severe attack of typhoid fever. She has been improving somewhat during the past three days, but is not yet out of danger. She has been speechless ever since the commencement of the disease. Their youngest child, Edna, aged two and a half years, is very sick with the same disease in the second week. Mr. Churchman was confined to the house for several days with an attack of neuralgia, but was out yesterday.

City Engineer.

Geo V. Loring is to-day announced as a candidate for re-election to the office of City Surveyor and Engineer. Mr. Loring has held the office of county surveyor for several years and is the present city engineer. He frankly asks the support of the voters of the city for re-election. He has shown himself a competent and energetic officer in the past and has hosts of friends. George will make a good race.

O Yes! O Yes! O Yes!

Can any person show cause why I should not sell to the public three thousand dollars worth of groceries during the next thirty days; let him now object thereto, or henceforth hold his peace

Of groceries we have a supply,
At prices to induce you to buy.
Sugar, nine to, twelve pounds in exchange or for money,
And of that, too, which is sweeter than honey,
Of canned fruits, the best that do grow.
Whether raised at the "North" or below.
Choice buckwheat flour, the best to be had,
And pure maple sugar to make you glad.
Of coffee plenty at a very low price,
And everything else in groceries nice.
Then come, then come, our prices try,
And when you come you're sure to buy
With a "Happy New Year" to you all,
As "Merry Christmas," is past recall

E. B. PRATT,
37, North Church street, Decatur.
Jan4d3m.

K. of P.

Regular meeting of K. of P this Wednesday evening. Work in third Rank. A full attendance is desired.

I. D. WALKER, C. C.
C. M. DURFEE, K. of P. R. & S.

Have You Paid

Collector Barnes your taxes? If not, it should be attended to at once, as the time is short, and his duty under the law imperative. Office over J. Milikin & Co.'s, Bank. f15 4w

Sympathetic Women.

"Sympathy," says Adam Smith, in his 'Theory of Moral Sentiment,' "though its meaning was perhaps originally the same as pity or compassion, is a word that may now, without much impropriety, be made use of to denote our fellow-feeling with any passion whatever."

This definition of a word round which clusters the most precious associations of the human heart applies to much shifting sentiment that passes for sympathy nowadays, when the highly wrought nervous system is in the ascendant.

A vivid fancy, and excitable disposition, a quick susceptibility to immediate influences, are essentially constituents of the sympathetic temperament. Women are pre-eminently gifted with that rapid impressionability that puts them en-rapport with their surroundings. In it lies much of their power and their charm. Many thus endowed, however, lack the sustained force that gives cohesion to character.

The influences withdrawn that called forth the emotion, the purpose born with it begins to flag. These impulsive sympathisers rejoice with the happy and mourn with the sad, they give you smile for smile and tear for tear; but the moment you leave them they forget you, and the object of your joy or of your pain is as nothing to them.

For the time being they are entirely sincere; hypocrisy or affectation has not entered into the tokens of feeling they have shown; they have simply been impelled by the impression of the moment. This kind of sympathy answers better to the definition of the modern philosopher than that which inspired the injunction of the wise man. "Sorrow is better than laughter, for by the sadness of the countenance the heart is made better."

Weighing an Elephant.

Shajee, Hindoo prince, who lived about the beginning of the seventeenth century, showed himself on a certain occasion almost as clever as Anchimedes.

A certian high official made a vow that he would distribute to the poor the weight of his own elephant in silver money.

But the great difficulty that at first presented itself was the mode of ascertaining what this weight really was. All the learned and clever men of the court seem to have endeavored in vain to construct a machine of sufficient power to weight the elephant.

At length, it is said that Shajee came forward and suggested a plan which was simple, and yet ingenious in the highest degree.

He caused the unwieldy animal to be conducted along a stage, specially made for the purpose by the water-side, into a flat-bottomed boat. Then, having marked on the boat the height to which the water reached after the elephant had weighed it down, the latter was taken out, and stones substituted in sufficient quantity to hold the boat to same line. The stones were then taken to the scales, and thus, to the amazement of the court, was ascertained the true weight of the elephant.

Training of The Young.

There is a bent, a trend, a tendency in the nature of children, which should be taken into account in the culture of their minds and the choice of a pursuit in life. Sometimes it should be discouraged, for it does not always point to usefulness, honor and happiness. Just as the twig, etc.

And in early years, even a bad tendency may be repressed or eradicated, which, left unchecked, will become a resistless flood, an ungovernable passion, a fatal power. But this natural force, inclination or propensity, when rightly guided, will be clear gain in the development of character, making a grand success.

It is better in the training of the young to rely more on cautious encouragement, than rough reproof and constant censure or fault-finding. The race is weary enough, to justify all the help that parent and teacher can afford. Repression and scolding only irritate the soul, without adding to its power. Often the brain is confused by a harsh word, and the mind is diverted from the point, when a smile and kindly remark would be a ray of sunlight guiding to the true answer. One of the marvels of human nature is that loving parents often abuse their children under a mistaken sense of duty.

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S. S. JACK.

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DR. MARY WALKER claims the U. S. Government h*s owed her $900 for over seven years. What doctor-toring has she been doing for Uncle Sam? Probably treating his spleen!

MANY of Mr Hayes' foreign appointments are preparing for a recall by writing that they are anxious for a r-lease from the cares of office and wish to return to God's country once more.

A GREAT many people have considered the use or abolition of the whipping-post as a test of civil darkness or enlightenment. Missouri should now be classed, by these people, on the side of civilization. It will have none of it; but a little sound threshing would do good, all the same.

THE New York Civil Service Reform Association, George William Curtis, secretary is sending out a pamphlet which shows the evils of the spoils system. In connection with the same they present the following summary:

"It consists of more than 80.000 persons, whose names appear in the Blue-Book. Of these about 43,000 are postmasters and about 12,000 are employed in the treasury department. Besides these, however, there is an army of persons, employed in subordinate and connected places, whose names do not appear—laborers of all kinds, messengers, contractors, storekeepers, temporary assistants, direct and indirect dependants of every degree, which swell the number of persons peculiarly interested in the non-political branch of the Civil Service to hundreds of thousands. Eight years ago one-tenth of the annual expenditure of the government was for salaries—civil, military, and naval—and that proportion probably continues. In 1860 the total amount of salaries of officers of the government, other than legislative, in the city of Washington alone, was $800,864.67. In 1872, after the war, the total for the same classes of salaries in the same city, with the increase of bureaus in the various departments, was $3,598,978.35, being an increase of $2,789,113.68. The annual pay-roll of the New York Custom House alone, for an aggregate force of about 1,200 persons, is more than $1,500,000. The abuse of useless multiplication of places may be studied in a single office. A committee of skilled experts, of the same political party as those employed in the Bureau of Engraving and Printing in Washington, reported in 1877 that for several years the force employed in some divisions of the Bureau was sometimes twice, some times three times as large as was necessary. They decided that more than half the force employed could be dismissed, and they plainly declared the cause of the extravagance to be a vicious circle of lavish appropriation by members of congress, who sought places for their retainers. "Appropriations have been secured," says the Report, "by making appointments for congressmen without regard to the fitness of the appointees or the necessities of the work, and when secured they have been expended in such manner as to retain the good-will of those already friendly or to secure that of others." Another illustration of this necessary result of the spoils system is the report of the latest committee of investigation of the New York Custom House, at which two-thirds of the whole customs revenue of the country is collected. The committee recommended that one fifth of the persons employed should be dismissed. The Joint Select committee of congress, in January, 1867, reported that if a system of appointment by proved competency instead of political influence should be adopted, the same amount of service could be obtained at about two-thirds of the present cost, and the service rendered would be far greater than that obtained from the present number of officers."

The Plain Truth About Hayes and Matthews.

[N.Y. Times.]

The fact is that the nomination of Mr. Matthews is recognized in no respectable quarter as guided by his eminent fitness for a position the filling of which ought not to be determined by any other consideration whatever. It is too manifest to admit of denial that he was nominated by the president on personal and political grounds solely. So far as political considerations are concerned, they should be regarded only with a view to securing on the bench a profound knowledge of the fundamental principles of our policy, a sound judgment in regard to their application, and a thoroughly impartial spirit in their interpretation. Of such qualifications Mr. Matthews has given no evidence. On the contrary, he has shown himself to be superficial, erratic, and easily swayed by a narrow spirit of partisanship, not a consistent devotion to the principles of a party, but a zealous championship of immediate political purposes. The political considerations which President Hayes has regarded are involved in a particular service rendered to himself.

IN THE NEST.

Gather them close to your loving heart—
Cradle them on your breast,
They will soon enough leave your brooding care,
Soon enough mount youth's topmost stair—
Little ones in the nest.

Fret not that the children's hearts are gay,
That their restless feet will run;
There may come a time, in the by-and-by,
When you'll sit in your lonely room and sigh
For a sound of childish fun;

When you'll long for a repetition sweet
That sounded through each room,
Of "Mother," "Mother," the dear love-calls
That will echo long in the silent halls,
And add to their stately gloom.

There may come a time when you'll long to hear
The eager, boyish tread,
The tuneless whistle, the clear, shrill shout,
The busy bustle in and out,
And pattering overhead

When the boys and girls are all grown up
And scattered far and wide,
Or gone to the undiscovered shore,
Where youth and age come nevermore,
You will will miss them from your side

Then gather them close to your loving heart,
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The Younger Sister.

[Philadelphia Times]

There is much in the social training of a young girl, for which mother and the elder sister are directly responsible. While it is true that children should not be unpleasantly forward in conversation, it is just as true that they have a right to be heard and that among kindly-hearted people their speech is always welcome if put forth properly.

The person who snubs a young sister and crowds her out of sight when others are present does her a sad injustice. The child is to be a woman, and is rapidly becoming one. She needs kind and pleasant culture in everything that tends to make her womanly.

A lift on her way helps her to that mental growth which nobody can enjoy if held down under pressure. Her mind needs to be quickened and strengthened by converse and contact with the minds of others. With this lifting and helping and quickening she has a chance to grow in every proper and worthy direction. Without it she retires out of sight and shrivels into a melancholy existence.

The Chinese bind and cramp the feet of their girl children. We call it unreasonable. To bandage a child's mind and to withhold from her the chance to attain that for which God has made her is as undesirable and culpable as anything the Chinese do in the way of crippling their girls

"Evolution Admitted, What Then?"

[Prof Youmans, in Popular Science Monthly]

Dr. Haven utters a very important truth when he says: "Men are prone to associate their religion with its drapery. This becomes obsolete and must be changed, and the looker-on fancies that the very body and soul are gone."

This is the view of science. Religion, like other things, is progressive, and proceeds from stage to stage, successively molting its integument with increasing expansion and a higher life, or, by the figure of Dr. Haven, shedding its worn-out clothing as occasion requires. It is a great point gained in this matter to discriminate between the living body and its accidental and temporary wrappings—between perennial truth and its obsolete accompaniments. The credal habiliments are not the vital thing they invest, and to cling to them as if they were is superstition. Dr. Haven's point of view enables us to appreciate the triviality of denominational cuts, fits, and styles; and illustrates the futility of venerating theological rags and tatters instead of the essential religious ideas which require ever to be clothed anew as men grow in grace. And what a pitiful spectacle, moreover, it is to see people so confused and perverted in their notions as to actually worship the heaps of old clothes that have been long ago worn out and cast off!

Seven Ages of Man After Shakespeare.

[Exchange]

All the world's a stage, and all the men and women merely players, some of them most confoundedly good players, too; they have their exits and their entrances, but a large proportion of them would rather have whiskey as a steady thing.

And one man in his time plays many parts—right field, centre field, catcher, short stop, etc. At first the infant, mewling and puking in its nurse's arms and yelling fire; and then the schoolboy with his dinner bucket, and whining, mourning face, creeping like a snail, unwillingly to school, with a sheepskin under his jacket; and then the lover, sighing like a blast furnace, with a woeful ballad, fearfully and wonderfully made, to his mistress's eye brows, and his coattail pockets filled with confectionery; then a soldier full of strange oaths and bugs, jealous of honor, sudden and quick in quarrel, seeking the bubble reputation even in the cannon's mouth at thirteen dollars a month and found; and then the alderman with a bay window on his stomach, full of wise sausage and many other things to eat, who charges two dollars for marrying a man, and kisses the bride without leave or license. The sixth age shifts into lean and slippered pantaloons, with or without ruffles, as the case may be; last scene that ends this strange, eventful history is second childhood and mere oblivion, sans teeth, sans eyes, sans taste, sans everything, except a wonderful faculty of lying about the hot summers and cold winters of his younger days.

Friends in Need.

[Alex. Sweet]

Some supposed friends of a newspaper have peculiar ideas as to what kind of items a paper really requires. Not long since a gentleman came into the Galveston News sanctum, and said: "Look here! You miss a heap of live items. I'm on the street all day; I'll come up every once in a while and post you."

"All right, fetch on your item; but remember, we want news."

Next day he came up beaming all over. "I've got a live item for you. You know that infernal bow-legged gorilla of a brother-in-law of mine, who was in business here with me?"

"I believe I remember such a person," said the editor, wearily.

"I have just got news from Nebraska, where he is living, that he's going to run for the Legislature. Now, just give him a blast. Lift him out of his boots. Don't spare him on any account."

Next day he came up again. "My little item was crowded out. I brought you some news," and he hands in an item about his cat as follows:

"A Remarkable Animal—The family cat of our worthy and distinguished fellow-townsman Smith, who keeps the boss grocery store of Ward No. 13, (beer always on tap) yesterday became the mother of five singularly-marked kittens. This is not the first time this unheard-of event has taken place. We understand Mr. Smith is being favorably spoken of as a candidate for Alderman."

The editor groans in his spirit as he lights a cigar with the effort. It is not long before he hears that Smith is going around saying that he has made the paper what it is, but it is not independent enough for a place like Galveston.

Many readers will say this sketch is overdrawn, but thousands of editors all over the country will lift up their right hands to testisy that they are personally acquainted with the guilty party.

Meditations on a Broomstick.

This single stick which you now behold lying ingloriously in that neglected corner, I once knew in a flourishing state in a forest. It was full of boughs; but now, in vain does the busy art of man pretend to vie with nature by tying that withered bundle of twigs to its sapless trunk; it is now, at best, but the reverse of what it was—a tree turned upside down, the branches on the earth and the roots in the air; it is now condemned to do drudgery, and by a capricious kind of fate destined to make other things clean and be unclean itself. At last it is thrown out of doors, or consigned to the last use of kindling a fire.

When I beheld this I sighed and said within myself, "Surely mortal man is a broomstick!" Nature sent him into the world strong and lusty, in a thriving condition, wearing his own hair on his head. The ax of intemperance lopped off his green boughs and left him a withered trunk; he flies to arts and puts on a periwig, valuing himself upon an unnatural bundle of hairs, covered with powder, that never grew on his head. Should this broomstick pretend to enter the scene, covered with dust, we should be apt to ridicule its vanity—partial judges that we are of our own excellencies and other men's defaults.

But a broomstick, you will say, is an emblem of a tree standing on its head and, pray, what is man but a topsy-turvy creature, his animal faculties mounted on his rational; his head where his heels should be; and yet, with all his faults, he sets up to be a universal reformer and correcter of abuses; a remover of grievances; rakes into every corner of nature, bringing hidden corruptions to light, and raises a mighty dust where there was none before; sharing deeply in the pollutions he pretended to sweep away.

Startling Scene.

The Truckee Republican thus tells of the way that Nevada lumbermen send their logs down the mountains.

"A chute is laid from the river's brink up the steep mountain to the railroad, and while we are telling it, the monster logs are rushing, thundering, flying leaping down the declivity.

They come with the speed of a thunderbolt and somewhat of its roar. A track of fire and smoke follows them—fire struck by their friction with the chute. They descend the 1,700 feet of the chute in 14 seconds. In so doing they drop 700 feet perpendicularly. They strike the deep water of the pond with a report that can be heard a mile distant. Logs fired from a cannon could scarcely have greater velocity than they have at the foot of the chute. Their average velocity is over 100 feet in a second throughout the entire distance, and at the instant they leap from the mouth their speed must be fully 200 feet. A sugar-pine log sometimes weighs ten tons. What a missile! How the water is dashed into the air! Like a grand plume of diamonds and rainbows, the feathery spray is hurried to the height of 100 feet. It forms the very grandest fountain ever beheld.

How the waters of the pond foam and seethe and fash against the shore! One log having spent its force by its mad plunge into the deep pond, has floated so as to be at right angles with the path of the descending monsters. The mouth of the chute is, perhaps 15 feet above the water. A huge log hurled from the chute cleaves the air and alights on the floating log. You know how a bullet glances, but can you imagine a saw-log glancing? The end strikes with a heavy shock, but glides quickly past for a short distance, then with a crash like the reverberation of artillery, the log springs 150 feet vertically in the air, and with a curve like a rocket falls into the pond 70 yards from the log it struck.

How the Indian Pupils Think.

[National Journal of Education]

Nothing can be more instructive to a teacher than to sit in one of the rooms at Hampton, Va., and watch the movement of mind in the Indian children there being taught. They "all think aloud, and go over the repetitions of every new fact in words, as children accustomed to civilized discipline do in their thought. Whatever may come to the Indians themselves as the result of this new experiment in education, the work will pay for itself in the light shed upon some of the most interesting points of primary education. Could the association of great Boston pedagogues who are grappling with the conundrum, "How much does a five year old child know?" sit out a week in one of these Indian school-rooms at Hampton, new light might break in from unexpected points.

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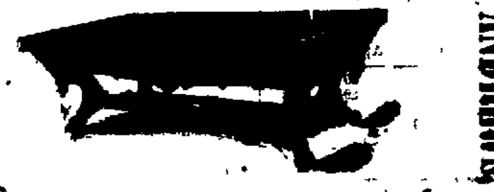

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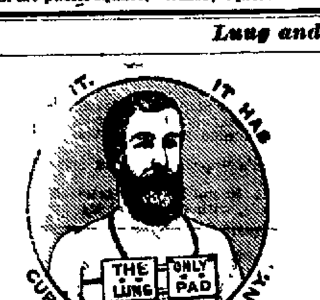

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GEO. V. LORING

Is hereby announced as a candidate for re-election.

"How Illinois Looks to an Amsterdamian."

The following letter appeared in the Amsterdam N. Y. Daily *Democrat*, which, although not very accurate on some points, shows that Decatur is worthy of notice by visitors from abroad:

DECATUR. ILLINOIS, Jan. 31st, '81.

FRIEND EDITOR:—Having a few moments to spare I thought that I would occupy them by fulfilling a promise that I had made to a few of my Amsterdam friends, by giving them a history of the city of Decatur. Decatur, like all western cities, has many railroads running in and out of it, including in all eight. It also has a fine lot of shools. There are two Union free schools, two German Catholic, one Colored and a High School. The schools are run on a general principle. Each scholar is required to go to school two years in each room there being seven rooms in each school house, From there, after going through the seven rooms, they are entitled to three years study in the High School free of charge. The buildings are built of brick, and are large and of the same plan as your school house in Dist. No. 11. The city is free of debt, contains fifteen churches and fourteen thousand (14,000) inhabitants, a coal mine, two checkrower manufactories, a bagging factory, three daily newspapers, and each daily publishes a weekly paper. The city is supplied with water works, the water being forced from a river three miles from the city. There is no snow here at present, nor has there been any this winter to amount to any thing, yet we have had very cold weather, the thermometer marking as low as twenty-two degrees below zero. The weather of to-day is very fine, a light south wind blowing. No fires are needed. You can compare the weather with your fine April weather. I will not tell you any more with my letter this time, so I will close.

I Remain Yours, Etc.,

ESLIE ANTHONY.

Sold Out.

Having disposed of my stock in the harness and saddlery business, I desire to effect a settlement with my patrons at the earliest day possible, and this is to notify them that I can be found at the drug store of Walters & Tyler, on the south side of the city park, where I shall be pleased to see my friends. I desire also to say to them that I shall soon resume busines, with a nice new clean stock throughout, embracing every variety of goods in my line of trade, which I shall sell at figures which cannot be discounted here or elsewhere. When again open for business I hope to receive calls from all my former patrons and from hosts of new ones. Respectfully,

jan4d&wtf J. W. TYLER.

A Card to My Friends.

Mr. Houston, of the Old Revere House Block, wants it understood that he has no rents to pay, and will always give his customers the benefit of the same. His prices are, and will be for some time to come, as follows:

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d&w H. MUELLER.

RETROSPECT.

I am looking to-day at the pictures
That hang in memory's hall,
And I scan the forms and features
Of shadows upon the wall;
Far back in the dim old storehouse—
In the storehouse of the mind—
In a place that time tried to darken,
One beautiful picture I find

I stand and gaze intently,
And brush the web aside,
Which mothly time had woven
Across the gem of my pride.
'Tis Home! the home of my childhood!
That place we always hold dear,
From the darkling depths, to my vision
A flood of past actions appear

I felt that they were of the present,
And not that I dwelt on the past;
I laughed in happy contentment,
For joys that never could last.
I cast back the cares of my manhood,
To live in the joys of my youth;
And gathered the flowers of the wildwood,
To garland the sunshine of truth

—(G. L. Wilson in Western Rural

ANOTHER OF LINCOLN'S STORIES.

How a Poor Woman Secured Her Son's Pardon.

There was a certain Missouri regiment commanded by General Fisk. It was largely composed of those chaps picked up on the levee of St. Louis; rough uncouth, ready for almost anything, in a word, but good-hearted fellows. General Fisk was a pious and good man. He found he was the colonel of the profanest regiment in the whole army. After he had been with them long enough to find them out, and they to find him out, he called them together once and said:

Now, I want to make one proposition to you. One of the first orders that General Washington issued to his army was one against profanity. Now I don't intend to issue any order of that kind, but I intend to let you vote about it. I am the colonel of this regiment, and I am going to do all the swearing for it. Now illw you agree by a vote that you will not swear, but will leave me to do all the swearing? The boys voted that they would do it, and there was a diminution in the swearing of that regiment for sometime. But one night there was a Kentucky mule-driver—and I can tell you a Kentucky mule-driver can swear some. His six mule team got stalled just as he was coming up with the general's tents and headquarters articles, and the stream of profanity that poured out of the mouth of that Kentucky mule-driver really freighted and burdened the air. After it was all over Fisk called him to his tent. He said to the soldier. "Don't you know that it was agreed by a vote of the regiment that I was to do all the swearing of the regiment?" "Yes," said the man. "Well, here you are swearing loud enough to be heard through all the surrounding camps." "That's all right, colonel; that's all right," said the man. "I know we voted that way, but the swearing had to be done then and you were not there."

One day in the lecture-room in Washington City, among the winters of 1864 and 1865, Colonel Fisk told that story in a little lecture. Abraham Lincoln was sitting in one of the front seats with his hand clasped over his knee, enjoying it very much, and laughed at it as he would any good anecdote. It happened that there came to him an unfortunate old lady who said she must talk with the president. She told him her son in the East Flinn, who had gone into the Union army, when coming near his home, had gone off to visit his mother, or, perhaps, his sweetheart, and the army, instead of marching on in the direction he supposed it would, took another route and he was gone three or four weeks. He was finally arrested as a deserter, convicted and sentenced to be executed. There had been a good deal of that sort of thing. There must be no more of this weak-hearted policy. She told her story, and Lincoln says: "There is a good deal in this; give me the papers you have; I sympathize with you, and I will take the papers and ask the secretary of war, Stanton to look into it, and we will see what we can do for you." "But," says she, the execution takes place next Friday, and you must give me the pardon now." "Why," said Lincoln, "that reminds me of a little story," and then he went on and told her the whole story, and the poor woman stood there while he told the story I have been telling you. After enjoying the story as Lincoln did, he picked up an old, yellow envelope and wrote on it "Let John Thomas be pardoned," and sent it to the war department, and the mother was happy.

A Court Among Convicts.

[Greensboro' (Ga) Herald]

There is quite a novel institution in the shape of a judiciary system established in this county. The convicts under charge of Judge W. H. McWhorter have enacted penal laws and organized penals courts of their own.

They have among them what is called a county court, whose jurisdiction extends from ten to one hundred lashes, and a superior court with a jurisdiction from ten to one hundred and fifty lashes. They elect from their body judges of these courts, a sheriff and a prosecuting officer. They have enacted laws punishing men for improper conduct in the stockade, for stealing, or doing anything whatever against the orders of the "boss." If one is charged with any offense he is allowed a fair trial before the court; and if he is convicted the sheriff proceeds to execute the sentence with great vigor and relish. They punish for all offenses—even for a failure to work properly and faithfully. To such perfection has the system been carried that Judge McWhorter very seldom has any occasion to punish delinquents, for the "convict courts" take them in charge and have the lash used upon them with sufficient severity, promptness and impartiality.

John Arnold, colored, who was sent to the chain-gang for the cruel beating of a child, is sheriff. It is said that John is proud of his office, and that it is with great satisfaction that he receives a subject to work upon. Daniel Winfield, colored, was judge of the "county court," but we learn they turned him out of office for malpractice, which consisted in settling a criminal case. Some of the State's justices might take good lessons on this point from the Greene county convicts.

A Case in Point.

[Detroit Free Press]

There are some inconveniences about attempted and unsuccessful suicides which ought to be taken into consideration. An English woman, having been accused by her husband of infidelity, destroyed her voice by an effort to cut her throat, thus preventing her from making a denial or explanation of the confession she had previously made in writing. These inconveniences ought to prompt the lunatic to make a clean job of the suicide business.

The Bed of an Ancient Lake.

[Cor Boston Herald]

Middle Park, with its 3,000 miles, was once a great lake. It is now 8,000 feet above the sea Yet, indications abound everywhere to prove that it was once the bed of a lake. There are petrified forests here, beautiful shells and all manner of watery reminders. I have gathered some beautiful specimens of petrified wood with the grain in perfect shape. In many cases the wood in parts was not quite hardened into the stone which surrounds it, and the process is clearly defined and discernable. Even such irregularities as knots are preserved, as in a photograph. The mountains yield most of these specimens showing that before the inundations, as now, timber was a feature of the hills, and not characteristic of the plains and valleys Some beautiful specimens of jasper and moss agate abound here, and silver has finally been discovered in small paying streaks on the hill sides

Presidents Who Were Senators.

[Philadelphia Times]

Some newspapers, in discussing the prospects of Thurman, Bayard and Blaine as presidential candidates, have stated that the road to the White House is not through the Senate chamber, and that no United States Senator ever became president

The truth is, we have had at least nine presidents who were members of the United States Senate, and with three exceptions—Washington, Taylor and Grant—every one of the presidents had either passed through the House or Senate. Adams was vice-president; Jefferson before he became president was secretary of state and vice-president; Madison had had a term of service in the House, and had been secretary of state; Monroe had been senator, secretary of state and foreign minister; Adams had had the same experience; Jackson was a member of the House, the Senate and foreign minister; Van Buren had been a senator, secretary of state, vice-president and foreign minister; Harrison was a member of the House and vice-president; Polk was a member of the House; Filmore a member of the House; Pierce a senator; Buchanan a member of the House, senator, secretary of state and foreign minister; Lincoln a member of the House; Johnson a representative and vice-president senator after he had been president; Grant, even, had been secretary of war, and Hayes was a member of the lower House. With this fact of history it would seem that any member of Congress might be pardoned for having an ambition for the presidency.

Farmers Should Think.

[Atlanta Constitution]

Farmers are under a mistake when they imagine that their calling is one of labor altogether requring no thought. Muscle is a great thing on the farm, yet management, the result of thought, plays an important part.

How to do best and in the cheapest manner is necessary on the farm. Thought is requisite to decide what crops are best to grow and the best time to harvest and to sell. Thinking tells what crops are most profitable and those that are best suited to certian kinds of soil, the best kind of fertilizer to use, and the best way to apply them.

To secure the planting of each crop in the proper time; and to adopt the best means of cultivation; to harvest them at the least expense, and get at the best time, and to sell produce for the highest possible prices; in other words, to cause the farm to yield its owner the best returns at the least cost, is a question of vital importance to successful farming, and requires thought.

Thought, vigilance and foresight are necessary to the farmer. He must keep in mind what work needs to be done, and how and when to do it; and to keep in readiness for emergencies, requires fore-thought which is one of the secrets of success in farming. Now, farmer, employ thought in your business. Always have that business before your mind, and you will be able to see which of your operations brings you the most real profit, and those you can make of special importance.

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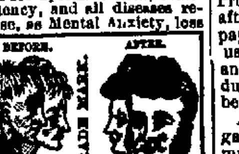

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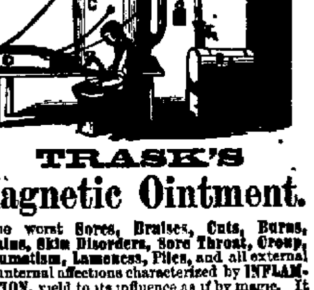

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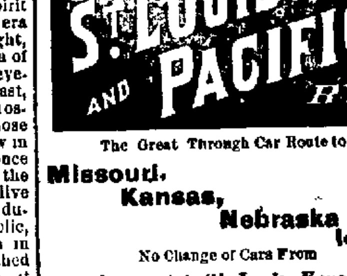

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Have released their old stand, now occupied by them on Merchant street, consequently the balance of the stock remaining there, will be removed to their NEW STORE, Court House Block Corner, by the Third of February, and

CLOSED OUT AT ONCE

FROM 25 TO 50 PER CENT.

BELOW FORMER PRICES.

Feb. 1st, 1881.

Legal Notices.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE.

NOTICE is hereby given that I will proceed on the premises between the hours of 1 and 4 p. m. on MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1881, in conformity with the directions of a decree of the Honorable, the County Court of Macon county, pronounced at its January term, A. D., 1881, wherein I, as administrator of the estate of Morillo G Camron, deceased, as petitioner, and William J. Camron, Orvill Camron and Margaret Camron were defendants, to sell the following described real estate, lying and being situate in the County of Macon, and State of Illinois, to the highest bidder for CASH in hand, to wit: The southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section 14, in township sixteen [16]. Also, the west half of the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of section fourteen [14], township sixteen [16], all north, one east of the third principal meridian, and also two acres off the south end of the west half of the west half of the east half of section twenty-three [23], in township 16, north, range one, east of the 3d P. M., it being five rods wide and sixty-four rods long. Also, twenty feet in width off of the west side of the west half of the east half of section 23, in township sixteen north, range one, east of the third P. M.; such sale to be made subject to present incumbrances as shown by the records. Deed or deeds will be made to purchaser or purchasers, and possession given 1st of March, 1881.

J. H. PICKRELL,
Administrator of the estate of M. G. Camron.
Dated the 30th day of January, A. D., 1881

GUARDIAN'S SALE.

NOTICE is hereby given that by virtue of the power and authority in me vested by a decree of the Circuit Court, of the County of Macon, in the State of Illinois, at the December term thereof, 1880, in a cause wherein I as guardian of Mary D. G. Lansden, John T. Lansden and Maggie E. Lansden was petitioner, I will proceed at the west entrance of the court house, in the city of Decatur, in said county, on SATURDAY, the 5th day of MARCH, 1881, to sell at public outcry, to the highest bidder, the following described lands, lying and being situate in the said county, to wit: The southeast quarter of the northwest quarter, of section sixteen (16), in township 15, north, range four east of the third principal meridian, containing forty-one and thirty-five one hundredth acres (41 35-100); also a certain other tract, commencing two (2) chains and fifty-two (52) links north of the center of section one (1), in township fifteen (15) north, range three (3) east of the third principal meridian, thence west nineteen (19) chains and seventy-eight (78) links to the west line of the forty acres, thence north five (5) chains, thence east nineteen (19) chains and seventy-eight (78) links to the north and south quarter section line, thence south five (5) chains to the place of beginning, containing ten acres. The purchaser will be required to pay one-half of bid in cash, the residue at the end of twelve months with interest at six per cent. per annum. No bid for less than $20 per acre will be received. Deed will be executed to the purchaser and the unpaid balance of the purchase money must be secured by note of the bidder, and a mortgage on the premises sold.

E. J. LANSDEN,
2.5dtw Guardian.

For Sale.

STOCK FARM

—AT—

Private Sale.

The undersigned offers at private sale, his farm of 447 acres—one of the most

DESIRABLE STOCK FARMS

in Macon county, situated southeast of Orneana. The buildings are two and a quarter miles from the station, though the north half of the farm is only one-half mile distant. The land is nearly all under fence; 300 acres in cultivation; 135 acres of meadow and pasture; 237 acres of grain land; there are 90 acres of timber all in one body, nearly all in good pasture. There are about two miles of tile laid on the farm. There is an abundance of water.

PRICE, $35 PER ACRE,

which is very low.

J. C. RUDDOCK.
Oreana, Ills., Feb. 9 d&w5w

FOR SALE.

A HOUSE AND LOT,

On Macon street, one of the most desirable portions of the city. The house is frame, two stories, with eight rooms. Well, cistern, hydrant, barn, fruit, etc. Lot 80x150 feet. Inquire on the premises, corner Macon street and Edwards street.

H. W. SCHMID,
feb19tf Box 676, Decatur, Ill.

DECATUR REVIEW.

E. B. JACK.

THE CITY.

The boss minstrel show of Gulick-Blaisdell at the opera house to-night.

Silk book marks at Stookey & Co's. d&w

Korsmeyer & O'Neill will close out their stock of skates AT COST. 21dtf.

Children's and misses' school shoes cheap at post office block shoe store. d&wtf

Complete line of lady's and men's satchels from the common to the best grades. KEELER.

Go to the Delmonico for a dish of fresh oysters, served in the best of style. s2dtf

Don't fail to call and see those Pantaloon Paterns (spring styles) just received at J. Foley's. feb4dtf

Feb 11 4d.

Do not forget the Firemen's fair and festival at the tabernacle on Thursday and Friday evening.

Genuine plymouth buck gloves, hand sewed, also the oil-tan gloves. Keeler's hat store.

Ladies' misses and children's shoes of all kinds and qualities at C. W. Challis' post office block. d&wtf

Everybody should dine at the tabernacle on Friday for the benefit of the Firemen's Festival.

Men's heavy boots as low as $2,00: calf boots $2.50 at sign of big boot upside down, post office block. d&wtf.

C. W. Challis, post office block keeps the most complete assortment of boots and shoes in the city, and is bound to sell if low prices will do it. d&wtf.

There was a fine display of legal heat in Justice Albert's court yesterday afternoon. It was about 110 above zero.

Two weeks from this morning we shall all know who is Mayor and Marshal and who are our city parents for the next twelve months.

The genuine New York saddle rock and Baltimore selects, served in any tyle, at the Oyster Bay Restaurant No. 8, Water street. Cole & Hodges proprietors. dec22d&w

Bear & Einstein have marked down their entire stock of notions and ladies and children's furnishing goods. Now is your time to secure bargains. d&wtf

If you want to see a first class show dont fail to take a look at Gulick & Blaisdell's Minstrels at the opera house to-night.

Remember the Firemen's fair and festival at the tabernacle Thursday and Friday. dtd

Bear & Einstein offer special bargains in millinery goods from now until after the holidays. Call and see their prices before buying goods in that line. Dec2tf.

The Firemen's Fair and Festival which is to come off at the tabernacle on Thursday and Friday evenings of this week will be one of the finest affairs of the season.

Go to Blenz & Martin's. Kinney's old stand, Water street crossing of Wabash Ry., for spare ribs and tender loin. Fresh fish received daily. 2-1-dtf.

We will sell all milinery goods at cost from this day until the first of April, in order to reduce our stock for spring opening Call and get our prices before purchasing.

d&wtf BEAR & EINSTEIN.

The I. C. passenger train, due here from the south at 10, a. m., yesterday, did not arrive until 4 p. m. It was delayed by snow. The passenger train on the same road, due at 5:30, p. m., was two hours late.

Chas. C. Frary, of Adrian, Mich, says:—To my complete surprise, I obtained a good night's rest, the first night I wore an "Only Lung Pad." I have suffered from Asthma for years.—*See Adv.*

The Rifles, Capt. C. M. Durfee, hold frequent drills in their armory just east of the REVIEW office. The Rifles are fine military corps and will make a fine appearance in the spring. when they will probably do some out-door drilling.

Persons desiring to learn the art of cutting children's and ladies clothing by the *Magic Scale System*, or those desiring patterns or garments cut and made, will please call *soon* at the magic scale rooms over F. L. Hayes & Co.'s store, as we contemp'ate a trip to the South. jan.15tf

E. B. Pratt has a few thousand dollars he wishes to exchange for good horses within the next three months. Special days for buying: January 12 to February 20, and March 10 to 17 inclusive, and at any other time convenient to seller, at his place of business, 37 North Church street, Decatur, Illinois. 148m d&w

The Midland passenger train, which left here about 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, met with an accident about three miles north of here. Both connecting rods of the engine broke, totally disabling it. No one was injured. Locomotive No. 40 was dispatched from here and returned with the train. The disabled engine was left here. The train was taken out immediately by No. 40.

Wanted—By a young man, board in a private family. Address "Tony," REVIEW office. f14dtf.

Gulick & Blaisdell's minstrels at the opera house to night. They are the equals of any on the road.

No steps have yet been taken towards procuring the release of ex-Policeman Johnson from jail, though it is expected that something will be done soon.

Everything was reported quiet on the levee up to ten o'clock last night, and peace reigned throughout the city up to that hour, so far as outside appearances indicated the condition of affairs.

Overmire & Kaufman, Real Estate Agents, have a stock of dry goods and notions to trade for a farm. Will pay cash difference. Call and see them over Decatur National Bank. feb-14d&w2t

Remember that Elder Haynes is to preach at the Christian church this evening. His former congregation will be pleased to greet him, and there will doubtless be a full house. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

The parties interested in the decision of the Roby-Conden case were on hand bright and early yesterday morning though the verdict was not to be promulgated until 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

Present indications are that considerable city property will change hands this spring. There will be a number of new comers among us, several of whom will buy property at the first favorable opportunity that offers.

A large audience gathered at the tabernacle last night and listened to an address on temperance from Mr. Shields. Mrs. Henry was expected to speak, but the train on which she was to have come was behind time, and she did not therefore arrive in season.

As the train for the west yesterday afternoon was passing the telegraph office, some man attempting to get on was thrown violently to the ground. The train was stopped and he was taken aboard. To what extent he was hurt we could not ascertain.

Henry Farrell, a good republican farmer of this county, says he had his smoke house robbed of a side of meat last week by a democrat. He says he knows it was a democrat, for if it had been a republican he would have taken a ham.

Samuel H. Irwin, of Ute Creek, Colfax county, New Mexico, says:—If my wife would quit work as she should at her age (61), she would live years a monument to the magic influence of the "Only Lung Pad."—*See Adv.*

The Litchfield Firemen held a grand masquerade ball on the evening of St. Valentine's day. It was an immense affair, there being over two hundred couples in attendance. The citizens generally took a deep interest in the affair, and did all they could to encourage and help their firemen. Let Decatur people remember our boys at their festival to-morrow and Friday nights.

The Hartz combination, who have been playing all through the country both east and west give Decatur the credit of having one of the pleasantest opera houses they have found. While this is now true there are to be some important improvements made during the coming season that will make the place still more attractive and convenient.

Hartz at the Opera House

Hartz, the magician, again delighted his audience at the opera house last night. He performed a number of new tricks, and so clever was he in doing it, that many almost ceased to believe their own senses.

A number of gifts were distributed at the close, the most valuable of which was a White sewing machine; this was drawn by Mrs. Frank Hickox, who drew the second prize on Monday night.

A Stormy Finale.

Yesterday afternoon the office of Justice Albert was the scene of considerable excitement, it being the time dxed for rendering a decision in the Roby-Conden case. At four o'clock quite a crowd gathered to hear what disposition the "squire" would make of the case. When all were ready Justice Albert started to say he would impose upon Conden the lightest fine the law would allow, but before he had time to say what the fine was, Mr. Lee, Condon's counsel, sprang to his feet and told the court that the defendant could not be fined under the warrant on which he was arrested—that he must either be bound over to the circuit court or discharged, and then the attorney proceeded to pour upon the head of the justice such a torrent of abuse as is seldom heard to fall from the lips of man, saying that what the court proposed to do was a damnable outrage. The remarks of Mr. Lee were replied to by Mr. Ewing, who was followed by Mr. Buckingham, who sought to pour oil upon the troubled waters. Mr. Park then took his turn at argument, and after the war of words had ceased, the court held Condon to bail in the sum of one hundred dollars to appear before the grand jury.

This takes the case to the May term of the circuit court, provided the grand jury finds a bill against the defendant.

I. O. G. T.

Proceedings of the 8th Regular Meeting of the Macon County Lodge.

GOOD TEMPLARS HALL,
NIANTIC, ILL., Feb, 10 '81.

Lodge called to order at 10:45 o'clock, a. m., by B. F. Hight, of Macon, W. C. T. Roll of officers called and the following answered to their names: G. M. Danly, of Niantic lodge, G. W. C. T.; B. K. Hight, of Macon, W. C. T.; W. R. Kizer, of Niantic. W. Sec.; Miss Minnie Carter, Macon, W. F. S.; Geo. Wells, Macon, W. C. Officers absent: Mrs. Weigand, of Decatur lodge, W. V. T.; D. L. Bunn, Decatur lodge, W. T.; Theodore Coleman, Decatur lodge, C. D.; W. H. Wallace, Mt. Zion lodge, W. M.; Hannah Patterson, Macon lodge, W. G.; D. L. Foster, Mt. Zion lodge, W. S.; Miss Minnie Beetle, Macon lodge, W. A. S.; Mrs. Cook, Macon lodge, D. M.; Miss Mary Shaw, Macon lodge, R. H. S.; Miss Ella Cassel, Decatur lodge, L. H. S.

Appointments pro tem—Miss Anna Hallett, Niantic lodge, W. V. T.; Mr. A. C. Foster, Niantic lodge, W. T.; Miss Maggie Ryan, Niantic, W. G.; Miss Susie Conover, Macon lodge, W. A. S.; Mr. W. Hawk, Niantic lodge, W. M.; Miss Mary Shaffer, Macon lodge, D. M.; Miss Ida Dingman, Niantic lodge, L. H. S.; Miss Rosa Kizer, Decatur lodge, R. H. S.

Minutes of meeting held at Macon on 28, day of November last read by the Secretary and approved by the Lodge. The W. C. T., then appointed a committee of three on credentials to-wit: A. C. Foster, Geo. Wells and D. M. Danley, who asked time to make a report, as the Decatur and Niantic delegations were not all present. Request granted. The following persons were appointed a committee on programme to-wit: A. C. Foster, C. C. Coulter and Miss Minnie Carter, who were asked to report at the opening of afternoon session.

On motion the secretary was instructed to send a message to D. L. Bunn, asking him and other members of Decatur Lodge, No. 364, to make their presence manifest at this meeting, on the afternoon train (there being only one delegate, J. C. Coulter, and one visitor, Miss Rosa Kizer, from the lodge) On motion sister Rosa Kizer was admitted a delegate to fill one of the vacancies of the Decatur delegation.

Lodge then took a recess until 2 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The committee on programme reported a satisfactory programme, which was adopted by the lodge. The committee on credentials also made the following report:

We, the committee on credentials, most respectfully report these lodges represented as follows:

MACON LODGE, No. 245.—Sisters Mary Shaffer, Susie Conover. Bros. Clayton, Wells and Cash.

NIANTIC LODGE, No. 250—Sisters Mamie Prichett, Mattie Bear, and Nellie Hawk and Bro.'s A. C. Foster and W. A. Hallett.

DECATUR LODGE No. 364—Sister Rossa Kizer and Bro. J. C. Coulter, The lodge then proceeded to discuss the subject contained in the programme for the good of the cause, and transacted all business that properly came before the Lodge. In response to the message sent D. L. Bunn during the former session the evening train from the east brought Sisters Hampsher and Stafford and Bro. Richmond, of Decatur Lodge No. 364. It being decided to hold an open session in the church, A. Carr was appointed to adopt a programme for the occasion. Lodge took recess until 7 o'clock p.m.

Officers and members met at the Hall at 7 o'clock, clothed themselves in regalia and marched in procession to the Christian Church, where the following programme was carried out in full:

OPENING ODE

1. Prayer.....A. C. Foster
2. Address of Welcome.... ... "

MUSIC.

3. Select Reading.....Miss Eliza Rice.
4. Song.....Miss Braden and others
5. Select Reading.....Mattie Bear

MUSIC.

6. Select Reading.....Minnie Carter.
7. Address.....J. E. Braden,
8. Lecture.....I. S. Richmond,

The members returned to the Hall and listened to speeches by Bros Richmond, Hight and others for the the good of the order.

The following was offered and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be tendered to Bro. Richmond for his kindness in coming to meet with us, and for the able manner he has entertained us, both at the Church and at this Hall.

Meeting adjourned to meet again at Decatur the 9th day of June next.

Thus ended one of Macon county Lodge meetings, which will be remembered for many years by those who had the pleasure of attending the same.

The reports of the lodges that were represented show that the tide of temperance is still rising and rolling on to victory.

Respectfully your Obedient Servant,
W. R. KIZER, Sec.
Macon County Lodge I. O. of G. T.

For Sale.

A fresh cow, a good one. Inquire at 82, North Macon street.

2-16-2t ROBT. WILKINSON.

PERSONAL.

Wm. P. Hunter left on the train for the west yesterday afternoon.

A. T. Davis, of Long Creek, was in the city yesterday.

Arthur E. Kinney was a caller at the REVIEW office yesterday.

Austin township was represented in the city on Tuesday by Messrs. Bigger and Hubbard.

John McDonald reports seeing two nice fat robins yesterday morning. This certainly indicates the approach of spring.

Mr. Bain, of Kansas, has been in the city for several days, and made us a pleasant call yesterday.

J. R. Scott, President of the State Agricultural Society, was in the city Monday evening, and made us a call.

Mr. Shinn and wife, of Sullivan visited Decatur yesterday. He is State's Attorney of Moultrie county.

Mrs. J. L. Fenton, her daughter, Miss Jessie, and her son Hamilton W., also Brad Dubois left for New Orleans over the Central road last night.

D. J. Block, his son Will and daughter Rosa, left last night for New Orleans. They will be absent several weeks.

B. S. Hood of the Litchfied *Monitor* called in to see us yesterday on his way to attend the meeting of the state press association at Springfield.

Mrs. Della Corneau, nee Day, formerly of this city, now of Decatur, is visiting the family of Captain A. Martin and other friends.—*Danville News.*

Hiram Wilson has sold his house and lot at the corner of Eldorado and College streets for $1500, in cash. Possession to be given immediately.

J. R. Race left for the east yesterday During his absence Mr. Race will purchase a spring stock of goods for his large clothing store in this city. His daughter Flora accompanied him.

Mr. John N. Reed of LaCrosse, Wis, and Mrs. John Haynie, of Wyoming, arrived in the city on Monday evening, and are the guests of M. B. Thomas and family.

J. A. Elliott and his brother J. R. Elliott have removed from the vicinity of Cisco, Piatt county, to the the neighborhood of Argenta in our county. They are both subscribers to the REVIEW.

Mr. Holbrook, general agent for McCormick's large reaper manufactury, was in to see us yesterday in company with Reed Spencer. Mr. Holbrook represents a class of machinery which bears examination and trial.

Dr. Wheeler was at the depot yesterday afternoon, studying human nature as exhibited by the various passengers and strangers who throng the depot at train time. It is an excellent place to prosecute such studies.

John R. Miller, who has for some time been confined to his house by illness, is now able to sit up, and hopes to be upon the street again in a few days. His many friends will be pleased to hear of his improved and improving condition.

Ed. Harpstrite looked in upon us yesterday morning, and arranged to to have the REVIEW sent to a friend at a distance. This idea of sending a Decatur paper to friends in other localities is a good way to keep them posted as to what is going on here, We suggest to the patrons of the REVIEW that they do likewise.

Hon. J. Milton Turner, of St. Louis, was in the city yesterday. He will be remembered as Minister to Liberia a few years ago. He is not in favor of the exodus, but advises his brethren to remain in the South. This will almost bring him into disrepute with some people who believe that it is the colored man's duty to leave the south.

Oreana Chips.

OREANA, Ill., Feb., 14, 1881.

MR. EDITOR:—I visited the village to-day and everything is very quiet, with but few exceptions which are not worthy of being mentioned. I found our postmaster was in a good humor with but little gas escaping.

The boys of the village and vicinity are easy since the so-called P. M. and his wealthy backers withdrew their case from the court.

Mr. Biddle will leave soon for Storm Lake City, Iowa. He takes the best wishes of the people of the village and the adjoining neighborhood.

Mr. F. M. smokes his fine Havana cigars, rocks the cradle and reads his paper just like an old man.

Mr. G. Betzer is favored by being called "papa" by a twelve-pound voter.

Our ticket agent says he don't want to be called an old bachelor, and by the way he has been flying around with the young "darlings" as he calls them, I don't think he will be. We regard Mr. S. as being a very fine young man.

Mr. W. H. Gantz, our estimable teacher of the district school, is going to leave us this summer. He is going to teach in the adjoining district. Mr. G. takes the best wishes of his pupils and friends.

The corn trade is somewhat dull on account of the condition of the roads and weather the past week which has given some of the dealers the blues. But we hope to get better times very soon.

DEAD BEAT.

J. W. BAKER'S

BULLETIN.

NO. 18 EAST MAIN ST. POWERS' OLD STAND

In order to reduce my stock and make room for Spring Goods, I will sell at COST my entire stock of BOOTS and SHOES. My stock of Ladies shoes consist of the best grade of Rorchester KID and GOAT. Their distinguished qualities are EXCELLENCE of material, elegance of style, and exactness of fit. Each pair is warranted. My stock of children's shoes is complete, and I will close them out now at 25 to 35c a pair less than other dealers will ask for the same quality of shoes.

☞You are invited to call and price goods and convince yourself that everything will be sold as advertised. Remember the place.

J. W. BAKER.

NO. 18 EAST MAIN ST : : : : POWERS' OLD STAND

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